

MI-WIC POLICY

Eligibility/Certification

2.0 Certification/Eligibility

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2.12 Migrant Family Eligibility

PURPOSE: To provide a uniform statewide process for addressing the special concerns of migrant WIC families.

A. POLICY

1. Migrant workers and their families shall be designated as migrants upon enrollment, and migrant status shall be verified at each certification.
2. Migrant farmworkers and their families shall be given an appointment within 10 days of their request for WIC services. (See Policy 3.01 Processing Standards and Appointment Scheduling)
3. Migrant farmworkers and their family members may be certified when there is no proof of identity or residency. In these cases, the client/authorized person shall sign the No Proof of Identity and/or No Proof of Residency Attestation form. (See Policies 2.02 Residency, 2.03 Identity, and 2.04 Income Determination)
 - a. Residency requirements mean that applicant/client currently resides in Michigan without regard to immigration status.
4. Income shall be determined for migrant farmworkers once every 12 months. An in-stream migrant farmworker, who has a Verification of Certification that indicates income verification has been performed with the last 12 months, is income eligible.
5. The income documentation requirement does not apply to a migrant family for whom the necessary documentation is not available or for whom the agency determines the income documentation requirement would present an unreasonable barrier to participation (See Policy 2.04 Income Determination).

Income may be self-declared where no proof of income exists. When income is self-declared, the client/authorized person must sign the No Proof of Income Attestation form.
6. The date of income verification shall be documented.
7. Local agencies shall accept Verification of Certification cards from migrant clients or their family members (See Policy 3.05 Transfers).
8. Local agencies shall issue a completed VOC for every migrant family member currently certified at each certification or upon request. (See Policy 2.19 Verification of Certification)

B. DEFINITIONS

Migrant farmworker An individual whose principal employment is in agriculture on a seasonal basis, who has been so employed within the last 24 months, and who establishes, for the purposes of such employment, a temporary abode.

References:

7 CFR 246.7(c)(2)(i), (d)(2)(ix), (f)(2)(iii)(A), (k)(2)

Cross-References:

- 2.02 Residency
- 2.03 Identity
- 2.04 Income Determination
- 2.19 Verification of Certification
- 3.01 Processing Standards and Appointment Scheduling
- 3.05 Transfers